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Subject: Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint

## To Whom It May Concern:

The American Coatings Association (ACA) supports the goals and objectives of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint and wishes to be considered a Partner in the work of the Lead Paint Alliance.

"The primary goal of the Alliance is to prevent children's exposure to paints containing lead and to minimize occupational exposures to lead paint... The Action Plan for 2015-16 highlights the need for near-term efforts, in particular by national governments around the world to phase out the use of lead paints, with special attention to eliminating lead decorative paints and in paints for other applications most likely to contribute to childhood lead exposure<sup>1</sup>."

ACA supports efforts by the paint industry to reduce or eliminate the conditions that give rise to environmental lead exposure and will encourage industry activities to voluntarily stop the manufacture and sale of lead paint, focusing on residential and decorative paints containing lead additives.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://www.unep.org/chemicalsandwaste/Portals/9/Lead Cadmium/docs/GAELP/LPA Action Plan May2015revised27Sept20 15.pdf

In addition, ACA supports compliance with all national and local laws, regulations, rules, judgments, orders and/or decrees applicable to the limits for lead compounds in decorative paints and the establishment of restrictions in countries where limits are not currently in place<sup>2</sup>.

By this letter, ACA wishes to be recognized as an Alliance partner with the name of the American Coatings Association listed as such on the Lead Paint Alliance web site (www.unep.org/noleadinpaint).

Sincerely,

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**American Coatings Association** 

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